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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Support)

SUBJECT: World-Wide Courier Pouch Service - Fast Dispatch Pouch Service

REFERENCE: DD/S-56-1500, Memo from DD/S to Chief, Management Staff, dated 30 April 1956, same subject

1. "This memorandum contains a recommendation submitted for DD/S approval. Such recommendation is contained in paragraph 4."

2. With regard to your request in referenced memo, the following summary is submitted:

## a. Fast Pouch Service

(1) The yearly Agency cost of the fast pouch service

more than previous services. This figure includes the cost of ten (10) additional employees in the RI Division to expedite routine and deferred cable traffic.

(2) The fast pouch was discontinued in September 1955 because it was more economical to the Agency in terms of men and money to send routine and deferred traffic by cable rather than by fast pouch. [redacted] did not charge the Agency for use of cable facilities. Cable transmission of routine and deferred traffic is more expeditious than transmission by fast pouch.

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(3) If the Agency instituted its own fast pouch service (to [redacted] utilizing Agency personnel with [redacted] participation the cost would be approximately \$262,670.00 per year (Tab A). This cost covers three (3) commercial round trip flights per week. To supplement these flights the Agency would continue to utilize the three [redacted] flights per week.

## b. Agency World-Wide Courier Pouch Service

(1) The cost would be approximately \$1,500,000 per year (Tab B), exclusive of excess baggage (over 66 lbs) and feeder service costs.

(2) Would require approximately fifty-one (51) additional couriers and nine (9) additional control personnel.

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(5) Overseas transfer points would have to be established for the routing and control of pouches and couriers.

3. Discussion

a. I think the fast pouch deserves no further consideration.

b. The Agency World-Wide Courier Service as outlined above in 2b(1-5) deserves no further consideration.

c. An Agency World-Wide Courier Service which adds to [ ] existing coverage does warrant more study.

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(1) By [ ] courier services to some degree (paying for extra couriers and commercial flights) they could administer an improved Agency program.

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4. Recommendation

Management Staff, DD/S, to study the feasibility of 3c.

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Chief, Management Staff

Attachments:

Tab A - Fast Pouch Costs

Tab B - World-Wide Pouch Costs

Concur in the recommendation in paragraph 4 above.

Date *6 July 1956*

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